IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
HIROAKI IKEDA Application No.: 10/615,304		: Examiner: D. G. Mariam
		: Group Art Unit: 2624
) : Confirmation No.: 7108
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For:	CHARACTER RECOGNITION	: November 17, 2006
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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

Sir:

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the courtesy extended toward his representative during the recent telephone interview of October 24, 2006.

Applicant's representative agreed to amend Claims 1 and 13 and cancel Claim 11 as proposed by the Examiner and effected in the Examiner's Amendment attached to the Notice of Allowance mailed November 2, 2006.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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